

The Police Corps Weekly

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Law Enforcement Spanish

By: Recruit Dillhoff

The main focus of the first part of week two was Law Enforcement Spanish. The recruits received twenty-four hours of instruction from Mr. Adam Chacón, a law enforcement officer with the Urbana Police Department and a certified instructor with Partners in Training Consultants, Inc. Partners in Training is a program designed to specifically teach police officers the Spanish language skills that are quickly becoming essential for them to effectively do their job.

The program focuses on words and phrases that police officers would need to know in order to make traffic stops and arrests in Spanish. The class format uses repetition to familiarize students with the words and phrases. In fact, so much repetition was involved that most of the recruits were dreaming in Spanish for the next few nights.

Mr. Chacón also taught the recruits words and phrases that police officers should be aware of for safety reasons. To empha-

size the importance of recognizing these words, Mr. Chacon showed the tragic recording of the murder of Constable Lunsford in Texas. Constable Lunsford's three assailants planned his murder right in front of him without his knowledge.

The recruits thoroughly enjoyed the class time dedicated to this subject, and are eager to continue honing this new skill so that it can be used as an effective tool in performing their law enforcement duties.

Handcuffing and Baton Use

By: Recruit Prock

Week two of DAAT was an exciting week. The recruits started the week off by going over the escort holds, compliance holds and handcuffing. Next, Sgt. Hefti taught the group how to execute the Multiple Officer, Ground Handcuffing (Star Technique).

Thursday brought a new intensity to the room. The group was all up in high spirits and ready to learn. Sgt. Hefti and the other instructors taught the proper

form for the Reaction Hand Strike, Reaction Forearm Strike, Strong Hand Strike, Strong Forearm Strike, Reaction Front Kick, Reaction Knee Strike, Strong Angle Knee Kick, and Strong Angle Kick. After being taught these moves, the recruits practiced them for the rest of the night. At the end of the training day, the recruit's spirits were still high and the intensity was even higher than at the beginning of the session.

Saturday morning began with a bang. The recruits learned the proper use of the baton. In learning how to use the baton, the recruits learned how to load the baton, jab with the baton, and display the baton. After the recruits had conquered those moves they went into the angle strike with the baton. The day ended with practical experience on the tactical training aid: Numb John.

Firearms Training

By: Recruit McNally

On September 20, 2003 the recruit class trained with their firearms at the Monroe County outdoor range. Upon arrival at the range, the recruits reviewed the shooting fundamentals, administratively loading and unloading our weapons, out-of-battery reloading, in-battery reloading, and the tactical ready stance. The recruits also reviewed the four types malfunctions: failure to fire, failure to extract, failure to eject, and failure to feed. There are two phases for clearing malfunctions. The first phase is to tap the butt plate of the magazine to fully seat

the magazine in the firearm, roll the pistol slightly to help any loose casing or round fall, and rack the slide back. This became known as "tap, roll, and rack." The second phase consisted of stripping the magazine, racking



The recruits get a lot of shooting time in!

the slide, inserting a fresh magazine, and charging the weapon. The class was also introduced to three kneeling firearm stances as well. These included the double kneel, high kneel, and low kneel stances. Sergeant De Frang, Mr. Lobe, Mr. Sacia, and Sergeant Green assisted our class on their Saturday afternoon and their help was greatly appreciated along with their patience and expertise. They were impressed with us at the end of the day when two of the seven wooden target holders didn't have a single round in them, meaning we shot well for our second session.

Non-Violent Crisis Intervention

By: Recruit Bertram

On Thursday of this week, Cadre Commander (C.C.) Kruger from the Wisconsin National Guard Challenge Academy instructed the recruit class on Non-Violent Crisis Intervention (CPI). The information will be a vital tool for the recruits when they work with the at-risk youth at the Challenge Academy. Non-Violent

Crisis Intervention is a program that focuses on how to deal with people who display behavior that is disruptive, assaultive, or out of control.

The recruits learned that communication is important when dealing with those whom may act out either verbally or physically. The goal is to try and intervene before a situation becomes potentially dangerous and/or violent.

The class learned many communication tools that will be useful to them not only at the National Guard Challenge Academy, but also throughout their careers in law enforcement.

C.C. Kruger also taught the recruits personal safety techniques. The recruits are all looking forward to working with the at-risk youth.

Agency Spotlight

By: Recruit Rousseau

The Green Bay Police department is one of the most progressive departments in the state, and the largest participant in the Police Corps Program. The depart-



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ment serves the state's third largest city, at over 100,000 citizens. Green Bay utilizes various types of patrol including: motorcycle patrol, SWAT team, bicycle patrol, canine units, Harbor Patrol, Gang

Unit, and other non-traditional law enforcement methods. The department is newly headed by long time department veteran, Chief Craig Van Schyndle.

Team Building - Rock Climbing

By: Recruit Salbego

The Police Corps recruits have “climbed” many obstacles and “hills” during the long application process and the first two weeks of training at the Academy. Friday, the recruits were really put to the test, as they participated in rock climbing during the Team Building Session. The tall obstacle to overcome was a 25-foot rock wall.

The setup included the rock wall, three ropes and three recruits as ballayers. Ballayers keep the rope tight for the climber, especially when they fall. The supervisors were Mr. Pressler and Senior Team Leaders Goetl and AlDean. The first thing taught

was safety, and many do’s and don’ts were stressed. After the instructors demonstrated how to climb and ballay, the recruits were



Recruit Glejf makes an attempt at rock climbing!

on their way up. Three by three, they climbed, some easier, some with better technique and some falling. As recruits watched their classmates, they learned from each other’s mistakes. When each climber reached the top, they ballayed for the next climber and then moved down to the ground, only to give classmates pointers for when it was their turn. “Fall and Fall”, the recruits had fun and were able to relax a bit from the fast pace of the normal training day.

The Picture Says It All:

Photographed By: Recruit Kaufenberg

During team building, we learned that all things must come at a price. Recruit Drobnick learns this lesson the hard way through the use of a 50lb sack and the POW walk.



Weekly Training Review...

By: Recruit Jentzsch

From learning a new language together in three days, to improving our Defensive and Arrest Tactics, learning more about professional communication, enhancing our marching and drill and ceremony skills, and getting into some firearms techniques, we ended up spending a lot of time together growing as a team. I think, however, that we grew the most from all going rock climbing together on Friday. When we got to the sandstone bluffs on base, we all learned that it’s easier watching someone rock climb from the bottom, than it is actually doing it yourself. We found that you needed to trust your team member and your gear, because when you fell your only safety net was that someone else had a hold of your line and you weren’t going anywhere. This concept showed us all exactly how much we needed to rely on each other to get through the intense training and to prevail as a group. Making it through something on your own and leaving your team members behind at the same time was no longer an option. After this week I can safely say we are a stronger unit.